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AND METHOD FOR OPERATING THE SAME

**SUPPLEMENTAL INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT**

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Sir :

In accordance with the duty of disclosure under 37 C.F.R. §1.56 and §§1.97-1.98, and supplemental to the Information Disclosure Statements that were previously filed on August 2, 2007 and February 24, 2004, Applicants hereby bring to the attention of the Examiner a Japanese Office Action mailed July 22, 2008 with respect to patent family member Japanese Patent Application No. 2003-090601, in which the following document was cited:

- (1) JP 7-231329 A, which is submitted together with an English language Abstract thereof.

The relevance of this document, as ascertained with respect to the Japanese claims by the Japanese Examiner, is set forth in the Japanese Office Action.

Applicants respectfully request that the Examiner consider the above material and cite the same. A copy of the above-noted documents are attached hereto, and are listed on an attached


Form PTO-1449. A copy of the Japanese Office Action is also attached hereto. The Examiner is requested to initial the appropriate spaces on the attached Form, and to return a copy of the completed Form to Applicants with the next official communication in the present application.

Applicants note that this Supplemental Information Disclosure Statement is being submitted subsequent to the issuance of a Non-Final Office Action on the merits, but before the issuance of a Final Office Action on the merits. In accordance with 37 C.F.R. §1.97(d), Applicants hereby certify that each item of information contained in the Information Disclosure Statement was first cited in any communication from a foreign patent office in a counterpart foreign application not more than three months prior to the filing of the Information Disclosure Statement. Thus no fee is believed necessary to ensure consideration of the submitted material.

Should the Examiner have any questions, the Examiner is invited to contact the undersigned at the below-listed telephone number.

Respectfully Submitted,  
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